

Washoe County, Nevada

~PROCLAMATION~

WHEREAS, The theme for National Library Week “Welcome to Your Library,” promotes the idea that libraries extend far beyond the four walls of a building – and that everyone is welcome to use their services; and

WHEREAS, During the pandemic, libraries have been going above and beyond to adapt to our changing world by expanding their resources and continuing to meet the needs of their users; and libraries are less about what they have on the shelves and more about what they can do with and for their communities; and

WHEREAS, Whether people visit in person or virtually, libraries offer opportunities for everyone to explore new worlds and become their best selves through access to technology, multimedia content, and educational programs; and

WHEREAS, Libraries have long served as trusted and treasured institutions where people of all ages, interests and backgrounds can come together and learn alongside one another; and libraries and librarians work to create an equitable society by providing free access to accurate information to all people; and

WHEREAS, Libraries of all types are at the heart of their cities, towns, schools and campuses; and libraries offer members of the community a welcoming space and opportunities to explore new passions through technology, programs and services; and

WHEREAS, Libraries and librarians help patrons find tools to help improve the quality of their life; and libraries, which promote the free exchange of information and ideas for all, are the cornerstones of democracy; and

WHEREAS, Libraries are a resource for all members of the community regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or socio-economic status, and offer services and educational programming that transform lives and strengthen communities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Washoe County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim, April 4-10, 2021, as

~ National Library Week ~

Dated this 23rd day of March, 2021.

Bob Lucey, Chair
Washoe County Commission